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CLAIMS:

1. A bath including a water outlet or outlets arranged to in use direct a flow of water from behind onto the upper body of a bather or bathers sitting in the bath and leaning back against the wall of the bath, and a pump and water recirculation system arranged to recirculate a flow of water from the bath through said upper body water outlets onto the shoulders of a bather or bathers in the bath.
2. A bath according to claim 1 wherein said upper body water outlet(s) comprise two spaced water outlets one positioned to direct a water flow onto the left-side upper body of a bather and the other positioned to direct a water flow at the same temperature onto the right-side upper body of the bather.
3. A bath according to either of claims 1 and 2 wherein the upper body water outlets are elongate in shape to deliver a flow of water from each outlet which is wider than it is deep.
4. A bath including an end wall section which is approximately convexly curved over at least a part of the height of the wall section and which includes an upper body water outlet or outlets arranged to direct a flow of water from behind onto the shoulders and/or neck of a bather sitting in the bath leaning against the curved wall section of the bath.
5. A bath according to claim 4 including a pump and water recirculation system arranged to recirculate a flow of water from the bath through said upper body water outlets onto the shoulders of a bather or bathers in the bath.
6. A bath according to either of claims 4 and 5 wherein said upper body water outlet(s) comprise two spaced upper body water outlets one positioned to direct a water flow onto the left-side of a bather and the other positioned to direct a water flow at the same temperature onto the right-side upper body of the bather.

7. A bath according to claim 6 wherein said left and right side upper body water outlet fittings are provided on either side of a central pillow for a bather.
8. A bath according to either one of claims 4 and 5 comprising a single said upper body water outlet arranged to direct a wide flow of water across the neck and shoulders region of a bather.
9. A bath according to any one of claims 4 to 8 including left and right side upper body water outlet fittings which are pivotally mounted enabling a bather sitting in the bath to adjust the direction of the water flow from the fittings onto the bathers upper body.
10. A bath according to claim 9 wherein each fitting has a hollow interior and a hollow mounting neck by which the fitting is pivotally mounted is in turn carried in an aperture in the bath wall or a rim around the top of the bath wall.
11. A bath according to any one of claims 4 to 6 wherein the upper body water outlet fittings are formed as integral shaped moulded portions of the bath wall and/or rim section around the top of the bath wall.
12. A bath according to any one of claims 4 to 6 wherein the upper body water outlet fittings are integral with a pillow associated with the bath wall and/or a rim section around the top of the bath wall.
13. A bath according to claim 12 wherein the upper body water outlet comprise flexible side portions of said pillow.
14. A bath according to either one of claims 4 and 5 wherein the upper body water outlet(s) are provided in a single hollow fitting extending along an upper portion of the bath wall or along a rim section at the top of the bath wall.

15. A bath according to claim 14 wherein said single hollow fitting also supports a pillow.

16. A bath according to any one of claims 4 to 15 which also includes a suction inlet from which water is drawn and a number of spa outlets or jets in the walls of the bath through which water is recirculated back into the bath.

17. A bath according to claim 16 wherein one or more of said spa outlets or jets are provided in said convexly curved wall section of the bath to direct water against the 10 back of the bather..

18. A bath according to any one of claims 4 to 17 wherein the upper body water outlets are elongate in shape for delivering a flow of water from each outlet which is wider than it is deep.

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19. A bath including an end wall section and upper body water outlets arranged to direct a flow of water from behind onto the shoulders and/or neck of a bather reclining against a wall section of the bath, said upper body water outlet(s) comprising two spaced upper body water outlets one positioned to direct a water flow onto the left-side 20 of a bather and the other positioned to direct a water flow at the same temperature onto the right-side upper body of the bather, said left and right side upper body water outlet fittings being pivotally mounted enabling the bather to adjust the direction of the water flow from the fittings onto the bathers upper body, each fitting having a hollow interior and a hollow mounting neck by which the fitting is pivotally mounted in an aperture in 25 the top of the bath wall or in a rim around the top of the bath wall.

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19. A bath according to claim 19 wherein said left and right side upper body water outlet fittings are provided on either side of a central pillow for a bather.

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